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Murder solicitation charges lead to suspension of King County physician

OLYMPIA — A King County physician criminally charged with trying to kill his business partner and a former employee has been ordered to stop practicing medicine in Washington.

The physician license of Michael Emeric Mockovak (MD00040602) has been immediately suspended by the Medical Quality Assurance Commission and the state Department of Health.

Mockovak was criminally charged with two counts of solicitation to commit first-degree murder in King County. According to [documents filed in King County Superior Court](#), Mockovak is accused of trying to hire a Russian mafia hit man to have the two men killed.

Mockovak [surrendered his license](#) to practice medicine in Oregon based on the criminal charges against him in Washington. He also agreed to stop practicing medicine there and to never apply for a health care license in Oregon. Mockovak may request a hearing to challenge the Washington medical commission's charges and license suspension.

Washington law says that a person who is prohibited from practicing a health care profession in another state due to unprofessional conduct is prohibited from practicing in this state until proceedings are completed.

Legal documents in this case are available by calling 360-236-4700 or online by clicking the link to "Provider Credential Search" on the [agency home page](#) (www.doh.wa.gov).

The commission protects and promotes public health, safety, and welfare in Washington by regulating physicians' and physician assistants' competency and quality. The commission develops rules, policies, and procedures to promote high-quality health care to state residents.

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